LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m., on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2003, upon the application of ST. MARY LAND & EXPLORATION COMPANY.

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Upper Hosston Formation** and the **Pettet Zone**, in the West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.

FOR THE UPPER HOSSTON FORMATION

1. To permit the applicant to drill, designate and utilize their Joe D Burns No. 1 Well as an alternate unit well, in exception to the spacing provisions of the 692 Series of Office of Conservation Orders, for the production of gas and condensate for the Upper Hosston Formation, in the unit designated U HOSS SUC, such unit and wells shown on the plat submitted with the application.

FOR THE PETTET ZONE

- 1. To permit the applicant to drill, designate and utilize their Joe D Burns No. 1 Well as an alternate unit well for the production of gas and condensate from the Pettet Zone in the unit designated PET SUA, such unit and well shown on the plat submitted with the application.
- 2. To permit the applicant, St. Mary Land & Exploration Company to operate and report separately the production from the Pettet Zone in the proposed alternate unit well for the PET RA SUA.

FOR THE UPPER HOSSTON FORMATION AND THE PETTET ZONE

- 1. To find that an alternate unit well is needed on the U HOSS SUB and the PET SUA to assist in the efficient and effective drainage of the Upper Hosston Formation and the Pettet Zone that cannot be drained by any other well located therein.
- 2. To permit the unit operator to produce the assigned unit allowable from the unit well, the alternate unit well or from a combination thereof at its discretion.
- 3. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Upper Hosston Formation, in the West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 692, effective April 1, 1965 and as amended by Office of Conservation Order No. 692-A-14, effective November 16, 1999.

The Pettet Zone, in the West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 692-B, effective April 1, 1966.

A plat is available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Shreveport**, Louisiana.

www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm.

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WEST ARCADIA FIELD

03-785 and 03-786

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:

JAMES H. WELSH COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

Baton Rouge, La 9/12/03;9/17/03 S dpe

IF ACCOMMODATIONS ARE REQUIRED UNDER AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE OF CONSERVATION - ENGINEERING DIVISION AT P. O. BOX 94275, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9275 IN WRITING WITHIN FIVE (5) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE.